

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re application of:  
Hideji Tajima et al.

Serial No.: 09/807,596

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For:  
AUTOMATIC SEPARATOR/EXTRACTOR  
AND CONTROL METHOD THEREFOR

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Group Art Unit: 1743

Examiner: Cross, Latoya I

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**Mail Stop Amendment**

Commissioner of Patents  
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Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

**AMENDMENT IN RESPONSE TO OFFICE ACTION**  
**MAILED AUGUST 10, 2004**

**I. Introductory Comments**

The present paper is being submitted in response to the Office Action mailed August 10, 2004.

A Petition for Extension of Time Under 37 CFR 1.136(a) for a request of a three month extension is being filed concurrently herewith. No other fees are believed necessary for consideration of the present paper. However, if any other fees are necessary the Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge any fees to Haynes and Boone, LLP's Deposit Account No. 08-1394.

**Amendments to the Claims** are reflected in the listing of claims which begins on page 2 of this paper.

**Remarks/Arguments** begin on page 11 of this paper.

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